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$\underline{\mathbf{X}}$	29	Pages of Specification including an Abstract
$\underline{\mathbf{X}}$	10	Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 27)
<u>X</u>	11	Sheet(s) of formal drawings
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- Transmittal Letter in duplicate; 1.
- Declaration and Power of Attorney (1); 2.
- Patent Application (29 pgs. spec. & abstract, 10 pgs. Claims 1 27); 3.
- 11 pages of formal drawings;
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement;
- Form PTO 1449; and 6.
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